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C O N F I D E N T I A L BENGHAZI 0034

SUBJECT: VISIT OF DUNCAN SANDYS

REF: LONDON 501

FROM MACK

1. SANDYS VISITED BENGHAZI AND MET WITH PRESIDENT QADHAFI. SADAT AIDE ASHRAF MARAWAN ACCOMPANIED SANDYS. [illegible] AND ALSO SPOKE WITH MARAWAN. B1.
TALKS WERE FRUITLESS. MAJOR OBSTACLE TO MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AS SANDYS TOLD IT, WAS THAT QADHAFI SEEMED TO BE IN NEARLY INCOHERENT STATE.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT LONRHO OFFERED TO SET UP PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX WORTH OF LD 200 MILLION. QADHAFI DID NOT SHOW INTEREST. SANDYS HAS NOW LEFT, BUT MARAWAN IS STILL HERE.

3. COMMENT: [illegible] B1

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